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The 4-page document attached to [redacted] report includes information on the Polish Navy and a brief criticism of foreign radio broadcasts to Poland.

The Naval General Staff, located at Waszyngtona Street, Gdynia, has seven sections: 1) personnel, 2) intelligence, 3) operations, 4) underwater defenses, 5) artillery, 6) fleet, 7) air force. The Polish Navy has divided the coastal region into three districts: 1) GON (Gdansk Coastal District), UON (Ustka Coastal District), 3) SON (Szczecin Coastal District).

The report supplies information on GON located at Oksywie, listing some of its personnel, the type and number of ships under its command, location of naval observation points, and some of the locations of coast artillery.

The information concerning the UON lists part of the personnel, types of defensive equipment, training in the SSM (School for Naval Specialists), types of courses, length of courses and number of students accepted annually.

The information concerning the SON specifies where the command is located, includes information on the location and area occupied by Soviet Military personnel, type of military equipment in the area, and total number of personnel in the Navy (9,000).

A few remarks concern political indoctrination courses, and the change of outlook undergone by the officers concerning the lectures explains the attitude of naval personnel toward these lectures.

Brief remarks on necessity of obtaining a special certificate after discharge to get work, on the Greek partisans brought to Poland, location and fortification of various installations, including probable location of submarine base at Szczecin.

Brief criticism on foreign radio broadcasts to Poland: listeners are located mainly in cities; few in villages. For example: the VOA (Voice of America) announcer speaks Polish with a foreign accent, should have native pronunciation, etc.

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